COVID-19 Guidelines for In-Person Training

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The JVI has implemented measures to provide a safe and secure working and training environment at all JVI premises.

1. Health requirements for participants and lecturers

To minimize the risks to all stakeholders involved in JVI events, all participants and lecturers are encouraged to consider vaccination against COVID-19 as per medical recommendation for their risk profile.

We encourage travellers to monitor closely entry requirements for Austria, as they may change.

2. Rules while in Vienna

All participants and lecturers should observe COVID-19 protocols in place at the JVI Residence or designated hotel, whichever may apply. When outside of the JVI premises, participants and lecturers are expected to observe COVID-19 protection measures set by the Austrian and local authorities. JVI staff will provide a briefing to participants at the beginning of the course on the latest official measures.

3. Dealing with a positive case

Dealing with an asymptomatic or mild case

- Testing will be organized upon request for a participant or lecturer with COVID-19 symptoms.
- A participant testing positive will not be allowed to return to the classroom until s/he tests negative. The concerned participant will be given a laptop to attend the course remotely (in English only, even for interpreted courses), if her/his health situation allows for it.
- The same protocol should apply if a lecturer tests positive for COVID-19. Remote teaching from home/the Residence/hotel could be considered if the lecturer feels able to teach.
- If a participant or lecturer tests positive, testing will be offered to other participants and lecturers; mandatory testing of all participants and lecturers or mask-wearing might be required should several participants or lecturers test positive.

Dealing with a serious case

Should a participant or lecturer testing positive require medical assistance, the official number 1450 should be called for further instructions. This can be done with assistance from JVI Residence or hotel staff if needed. For any participant diagnosed with COVID-19, Cigna covers treatment for illnesses designated as a pandemic in line with policy coverage terms and in the same way as any other illness. Participants are only covered from the day of arrival in Vienna until the day of their departure (earlier arrival or later departure for personal purpose will not be covered). Should a sick participant be required to extend his/her stay in Vienna, the JVI will cover selected non-medical costs, including additional nights’ stay and per diems (as required), air ticket change charges, and re-testing.